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The Ingenious and most Candid Mr. [Name] having inform'd the Town, that he intends to publish a Piece, which he acknowledges was designed with him, in Confidence that it would not be published; with other Circumstances most characterizing his own Wisdom, Honour and Integrity: I shall only say, that I hope he will not let the publick wait long for these Marks of his true Merit; because, as I am on the Point of publishing Lord Burleigh's Life, and have already inserted relating to the same Thing in the Appendix, I willingly (if it be worth it) take Notice of

Remember a Friend of mine who had Wit, and was not at all displeased when he was told he had it, would very often say, that he never read, in any prophane Author, so true a Description as St. Luke gives us of the most famous People in Greece.

All the Athenians, and the

which were there, (that is in ATHENS)

Time in nothing else, but either to tell, or to

new Thing. I confess I am of his Opinion;

I also think that many of this Race of

have, in Process of Time, changed their Ha-

and settled themselves in a Country which

name. To say the Truth, the Itch of No-

seems to be the Vice of the present Age, and

not here or there, but through the World

Men are now so curious after what is

useful, or important, as after what has not

head of before. A new Trifle seizes the At-

of the Town, be it what it will; whereas

important Subject in the World cannot

such Attention, at least if it is not new

and then it reigns no longer than the Trifle, as

Merit consisted in Novelty; and whatever

before, ought never to please again. A

Infatuation, attended by many unlooked for

disagreeable Consequences!

Passion for News, like all other Passions, so

over the Mind, and, if I may be allowed the

reason, so fills up the Understanding, that there

Room left for Things of infinitely more Con-

sequence: It likewise inspires a Man with a certain

or Eagerness of Temper, which will not

him to be at rest; his Ears are always itching,

when his Tongue's employ'd; and let his

or Circumstances be what they will, he

himself to this Athenian Profession; hearing,

new Things. But as Nature is not near

as the Imaginations of these teeming

of Novelty, so this Passion generally leads

are infatuated therewith into a boundless

and into a Readiness of exaggerating

it, not into a Propensity of relating of False-

For when once Truth and Virtue are ex-

from the human Breast, or kept at a Distance,

and Folly finding easy Entrance, play the

at first, but soon after set up for Queens;

the Pleased having once got the upper-hand of

the Thoughts run as it were down Hill

great Ease 'tis true, but then it is to worse than

purpose.

are the Effects the Thirst of News hath

the human Mind; and if there were no other

Consequences flowing from this Passion, than

which have been already mentioned, they

certainly incline any considerate Man to guard

this encroaching Desire of Novelty, or to

the Rooting it out of his Breast, if he

it already but too strongly fasten'd there. But

is considered, that this Folly not only de-

tracts a Man's natural Abilities, or, in other

words, detracts considerably from his intrinsic

virtue, but also subjects himself to a Multitude of

inconveniences by the Courses it makes him take,

the Company it induces him to keep, a Man must

be so by the

all Pretensions to good Sense, and a just

for his own Interest, if he does not abandon

this idle and ridiculous Lust of Novelty, which, when gratify'd, produces him no Good, and for the Gratification of which he must necessarily run such dangerous Risques. I do indeed admit, that to serve very evil Purposes, some People have exaggerated the Mischief attending the eager Pursuit of News in publick Places, by suggesting, that there are Lions who carry all they hear, and sometimes more, to Persons in Power, who make use of it no ways beneficial to such as have their Conversations thus reported. This is so far from being true, that I am thoroughly satisfy'd never any Administration depended so little upon, or rather so totally neglected this sort of Intelligence, as the present: And the Sense I have of this, inclines me to publish this Paper, in order to shew, that notwithstanding our great Security in this Point, (which is a singular Blessing, how ungratefully soever it hath been received) yet this is far from rendering us absolutely safe, if we continue to indulge this Athenian Vice; because it cannot protect us from private Repentment, tho' it may leave us pretty much without Restraint in what we either hear or speak as to publick Affairs.

It is, I think, peculiar to our Age, to make not only the Transactions of private Families; but even the most private of the Transactions the most common Themes of Discourse. Heretofore, when a Man became Bankrupt, his Name was exposed in the Gazette; but now the smallest Slip, or supposed Slip in a Man's Conduct, claims a Place in the Papers; and very often he is obliged to vindicate himself; nay, and often suffers by vindicating himself, notwithstanding his Innocence, and the Necessity there was of taking such a Step. Such untoward Accidents could never happen, if Numbers of People did not give as great Loose to their Tongues, as they do Attention to what falls from the Tongues of others. But when we see that nothing is more common, than for Men to entertain themselves in publick Places with discanting on their Neighbour's private Affairs, we need not wonder that such Discourses, are echoed to the common Collectors of News, who earn their daily Bread by hearing and repeating, and who when they are reproached with murdering Reputations, excuse themselves like the Finisher of the Law, by pleading the Innocency of their Intention, and that what they do, is only in Performance of the Office.

THERE would be no Difficulty found in illustrating what I have advanced, by numerous Instances; but these would in the first Place, contradict my Design, and in the next, they must so naturally occur to every judicious Reader's Memory, that the offering of them here must appear tedious and impertinent. Whoever hears his Neighbour made the But of a publick Discourse, will be sufficiently sensible of the Injury he receives, if he suffers him for one Quarter of an Hour, to consider the Case as if it was his own. Every Smile, every Joke, as well as every Sacer, every malicious Reflection, will then appear in its true Light, and be received with proper Resentment. Nor is it possible for any Man to defend himself against this Disquiet, by saying, in his Heart, this can never happen to me, since he has no more sure of that, than that he shall not break his Leg as such a one did, or be killed by a Tile from a House, as it fell out to one of his Neighbours. We are no less liable to Censure, than to Accidents: It is in the Power of every Man to preserve his Probity; but no Man living has it in his Power to say, that he can preserve his Reputation, while there are so many Evil Tongues in the World ready to blast the fairest Characters, and so many open Ears ready to receive their Reports.

BUT it may be, that some may fancy Discretion will guard them; and that while they are cautious in delivering their own Opinions, they may, without Danger, listen to the News that is brought them. But even in this, Reason, and Experience, are both against them; for the receiving and encouraging Slander, is in itself as dark, or a darker Crime than that of publishing it; because the former may be done accidentally; whereas the latter must flow from a set Purpose. Besides, what Amisaries can we employ, who will be content with barely bringing us Novelties? These Dealers in Report know, that their Business is not to be carried on, but by Barter. There is no making up a Cargo of News at the

Temple, but by bringing thither the Intelligence either of the City or of St. James's; and therefore those who listen to these Men and are silent, stand the worst Chance. For when these Merchants make their next Voyage, they naturally relate what they heard this Man say, and that as truly as they can; and for the silent Man, they make the most of his Name; and as he said nothing, they attribute to him whatever they had a mind to say of themselves.

MY Design in this, as in all my Writings, is to serve the Cause of Truth, Virtue and good Sense; which tho' it may be mix'd with a Desire of pleasing a great Person, will not, I hope, render me criminal in the Eye of any Reader endowed with common Sense and common Manners. We have been told, over and over, by Writers on all Sides, that the Age in which we live is exceedingly corrupt. Taking this therefore for granted, the Scribes in the Service of the Opposition, will needs ascribe this Corruption to the Ministry, and in Consequence thereof, think of no other Method of curing that, than by destroying this. Whereas I having neither the Penetration of the Viscount, nor the Enthusiasm of his Poet, am Blockhead enough to believe, that Plenty produces our Luxury, and the Arts of ill Men, such as write against their Consciences, if they have any, in order to detach Men from all Principles of Religion and Morality, are the true Sources of Corruption. On this Foundation, I have long laboured a Reformation, it may be, with little Success, but with much Satisfaction of Mind; since I am sure, the eluding of good Laws, the raising of Seditions without any plausible Pretence, or the favouring the Suppression of the Liberty of the Press, as we at present enjoy it, by a willful Abuse of it, cannot be charged upon me; or, I think, with any Colour of Justice, on any Gentleman who hath expressed his Sentiments in favour of the Administration. If, therefore, a Conduct so inoffensive in its Nature, and so well intended in itself, should provoke any Set of Men to pursue me, as they have done my Betters, I must be content to suffer their ill Treatment, without being discouraged from serving the Publick as far as in me lies.

R. FREEMAN.

P. S. I hope my Correspondent, who darts from Pall-mall, will receive from this Letter the Satisfaction he desires; and I likewise heartily wish it may either reform the notorious Ear-eggs he mentions, or defeat them of Encouragement, by shewing Gentlemen how much they expose themselves, while they listen to such as expose others.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Cadiz, Jan. 13. N. S. On the 5th, arrived the William, Love, and the Welcome, Rullidge, from Cork; the Speedwell, Cooney, from Waterford: On the 6th, the Peace, Lamport, from Dungarvan: On the 8th, the Success, Dalton, from Hull; the Mary and Betty, Croft, from Liverpool: On the 10th, the Sarah, Lawrence, from Middleburg. On the 3d, sailed the Robert and Sarah, Ellis, the Lyon, Sweetman, for the Levant: On the 14th, the Malaga, Deal, for Bristol; the Catherine, Trubshaw, for Bristol; the Three Brothers, Burgess, and the Success, Burgess, for the North.

Leghorn, Jan. 19. N. S. On the 5th, arrived the Good Samaritan, Lovell, from Georgenti; the India Merchant, Barlow, from Petersburg; the Mermaid, Skelton, from Messina; the Adventure, Buck, from ditto: On the 6th, the Adventure, Watkins, from Smyrna; the Raven, Rose: On the 8th, the Susanna and Peggy, Watson, from Yarmouth; the James, Foundestre, from Newfoundland: On the 9th, the Unicorn, Errington, from Yarmouth; the William, Mackbride, from Killibeggs; the Argyle, Diggs, from Leostaffie: On the 10th, the Charming Polly, Simons, from Gibraltar; the Roebuck, Pym; and the Ann, Gely, from Newfoundland: On the 11th, the Sea Nymph, Braze, from Yarmouth; the Drake, Ballard, from Newfoundland; the Bristol Merchant, Stott, from ditto; the Daniel and Jane, Dunn, from Gibraltar; the Love, Pearson, from Yarmouth; the Prince of Orange, Grocock, from

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New England: On the 12th, the St. Mark, Wright; the William, Boston; and the Fox, Fowler, from Yarmouth; the Good Intention, Cordeyner, from Lisbon; the Goodfellow, Sanders, from London; the Concord, Spilman; the Union, Gibson; the Exchange, Bloom; and the Mary, Champion, from Yarmouth; the Catherine, Winston, from Waterford: On the 13th, the Sarah, Colcott, from Peterburg; the Friendship, Chick, from Newfoundland: On the 14th, the Peter and Mary, Prince, from ditto; the Virtue, Gines, from Yarmouth; the Sarah, Dalton, from Fowey; the Sally, Boulton, from Tunis: On the 16th, the Crown, Werry, from Civita Vecchia; the John, Martin, from Ostend; the Charming Betty, Hawkins, from Falmouth: On the 17th, the Providence, Arnaud, from Amsterdam, in 42 Days, from Plymouth in 21 Days, and from the Straights in 13 Days. On the 21st ult. sailed the Philip and John, Le Cras, for Cagliari.

Genoa, Jan. 22, N. S. The Charles, Rogers; and the Italian Merchant, Carteret, are arrived here from London.

HOME PORTS.

Portsmouth, Jan. 24. 'Tis from much bad Weather that our Port has been of late so barren. Arrived since my last, the Ashling, Tripp, from St. Ubes; and the William and Mary, Goston, from Lisbon; and at the Mother Bank, the Family Christian, John Podevine, from Bourdeaux for Bologne. Remain the same Ships of War and Dutch India Men at Spithead, as per my last.

Deal, Jan. 24. Wind S. W. by S. No Alteration since my last. Arrived the Vine, Andrews, in 13 Days from Seville.

Gravesend, Jan. 24. Passed by the Providence, Wills, from Seville; the Queen of Portugal, King, from Lisbon; the Golden Fleece, Madgson, from Villa Nova; and the James and Elizabeth, Norcombe, from Faro.

Arrived at several Ports.

The Enterprize, Wood, from London at Philadelphia.

The Prince of Wales, Keates, from Alicant; and the Providence, Cumby, from Seville at Dover.

The Thames, Marchant, from London and Smyrna, at Constantinople.

The William, Clifton; the Dolphin, Sault; the Oporto Yarrant, Barnaby; the Triton, Coates, all from Yarmouth; and the Expedition, Pipon, from Newfoundland, at Naples.

L O N D O N.

Yesterday arrived two Mails from France, with the Paris Letters of the 17th and the 19th Instant O. S. with Advice, that the Duke de Tresmes, the Governor of Paris, is so dangerously ill that he has received all the Sacraments of the Romish Church; and that the Dutchess of Boufflers died on the 14th, in a very advanced Age: That Prince Cantemir has received his Credentials from the Russian Court, vesting him with the Character of the Czarina's Ambassador to the King of France; that on the 16th he had his first publick Audience of the King, and the Royal Family: That the Duke de Brancas died at Paris on the 9th: That the Government of Upper and Lower Alsace is given to the Marshal de Coigny; 'tis said to be worth near 70,000 Livres: That the Command of the Troops in the said Province, is given to the Marshal de Braglio; which Employment, including the Forage, is worth 90,000 Livres a Year; and besides that, he keeps his Government of Bergues, which is worth 25,000 Livres: And that last Monday se'night there was a Masquerade at the French Court, which held till seven o'Clock in the Morning, at which all the Princesses and Court Ladies were most richly dress'd and adorn'd with Diamonds and Precious Jewels; and at which the King chang'd his Domino and Mask several Times, as did also several Lords of the Court.

The Paris Letter of the 19th, mentions Letters of the 3d Inst. O. S. from Genoa, with Advice, that the Rebels are in great Motion in the Centre of the Island of Corsica, in order to unite, and to prepare themselves for their good Defence; and that they threaten'd they would come to the Walls of Bastia, where they say it has been thought fit to disarm the Inhabitants, and to arrest several private Men, suspected of holding a Correspondence with the Mutineers; in which their Conduct has been intirely approved; for all the Corsicans are Corsicans, and that those in the Towns are no more to be trusted, than those in the Country.

The Eagle, Lynch, late Williamson, bound from Antigua for London, founder'd the Beginning of

this Month, about 90 Leagues to the Westward of Cape Clear in Ireland; the Captain and Crew taken up by the Charming Molly of Cork, and put ashore at Donaghadee.

Letters from Leghorn of the 19th of Jan. N. S. mention, that they had had a violent Storm there, and several Ships drove ashore, amongst them was the Restoration, Shefford, of and from Cork.

Yesterday Mr. Alderman Baker held a Wardmote at Girdlers Hall for the Election of a Common-Council-Man of Bassishaw Ward, to supply the Vacancy occasioned by his own Promotion: The Candidates were Mr. Samuel Ellis and Mr. Jonathan Rigg; when the former, upon holding up of Hands, having a considerable Majority, was declared and sworn in accordingly.

The Scrutiny on the Poll for Alderman of Cheap Ward ended Yesterday, and the Declaration will be made thereon on Monday.

Last Wednesday the Rev. Dr. John Pritchard, who was lately presented to the Rectory of Christ Church, Spittlefields, by Brazen-Nose College, Oxon, (in the room of Dr. Wright, who died about three Months ago) and Brother to Dr. Pritchard, who was the first Rector of the said Parish, and died about three Years since, was inducted into the said Living.

Wednesday Night as Josiah Nicholson, Esq; was going Home in his Chariot to Clapham, the Coachman, who was much in Liquor, fell from his Box near Newington, and his Leg being intangled in the Wheel, the Horses took Fright and ran 200 Yards before they were stopp'd, so that his Leg was tore all to Pieces, and his Life is in great Danger, but Mr. Nicholson received no Hurt.

Yesterday the Right Hon. the Lady Lucy Stanhope, lay so dangerously ill that her Life was despair'd of.

As did also the Lady Bellue, Wife to the Right Hon. the Lord Bellue of the Kingdom of Ireland.

Yesterday came on the Election of a Lecturer of St. Dionis Backchurch in Fenchurch street, in the room of the Rev. Mr. Hays, deceased; for which there was seven Candidates; when the Rev. Mr. Lloyd, Curate of St. Mildred's, Bread-street, and Fellow of St. John's College, Oxford, was chosen by a great Majority.

The Right Hon. the Lord High Chancellor has been pleas'd to present the Rev. Mr. James Philips, M. A. to the Rectory of Langoldmere, in the County of Cardigan, a Living worth 200 l. per Ann. void by the Death of the last Incumbent.

The Right Hon. the Earl of March, and his Brother the Lord Charles Douglas, who have been very dangerously ill of the Small-Pox at the Duke of Queensbury's House in Burlington Gardens, are now both judg'd to be in a fair way of Recovery.

By Letters from Constantinople, we hear of the Death of John Chiswell, Esq; youngest Son of Richard Chiswell, Esq; an eminent Turkey Merchant of this City.

This Day the Justices of the Peace for the City and Liberty of Westminster, meet at Westminster Hall, pursuant to their last Adjournment.

Yesterday Morning one Bignall, a Gentleman's Coachman, dropp'd down dead of an Apoplectick Fit, as he was walking along the Street by the Duke of Newcastle's in Lincoln's-Inn Fields.

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